

GOV. ODELL IN GEORGIA,

Negro Callers Delighted to Get an
Inkling that He Favors Roosevelt's
Renomination.

Atlanta Ga., Special —Gov. Odell of New York, spent last Saturday, Sunday, and Monday in this city, a guest at the Hotel Aragon. The Governor was the recipient of many pleasant visitors during his stay in the city. Among them were Rev. Dr. C. W. Newton, pastor of Big Bethel Church; Hon. H. A. Rucker, Collector of Internal Revenue; Maj. S. W. Easley Jr., who called to pay their respects. They had a pleasant little chat with the Governor and his secretary. To the delight of all, while the Gov. refrained from discussing politics in any form, it was dropped by one of his party that he was for Roosevelt for President. I, myself talked with the governor and was impressed with him very much, and when I learned, not from him however, that



COL. JOHN H. DEVEAUX.
Reappointed Collector of Customs at Savannah,
Ga. A triumph for justice and fair play.

he was for Roosevelt, I left contented. Revs. Drs. J. M. Henderson, president of Morris Brown College, and R. D. Stinson, financial agent of Morris Brown College, attended the (closed) educational congress at Athens, Ga., last week. They speak in the highest terms of the speeches of Hon. Hoke Smith, of Atlanta, and Dr. Tucker, of Virginia. This great congress is the direct result of the labors of Booker Washington, as it was he who first interested this party in the cause of the common education of the masses of both races. God knows that none need an education more than the poor white boys and girls of the South, because in their education lies the salvation, the peace, the happiness of this Southland of ours. God be praised for Booker Washington. Ogden, Bald, well and others engaged in this great effort of theirs in trying to help the poor children of our land!

The ladies of Friendship Baptist Church, organized last Sunday afternoon a Home and foreign mission society with the following officers: Mrs. Idella Harden, president; Miss E. E. White, vice president; Mrs. Cordelia Read Sims, recording secretary; Miss Cora B. Finley, corresponding secretary; Miss Lizzie S. Coleman, treasurer; Mrs. R. J. Blunt, Chaplain.

I attended the Baptist ministers union last Monday and they commended the Colored American heartily. Dr. E. P. Johnson is president of this organization.

Messrs. Hatsfield and Sons have opened an ice cream parlor and restaurant on Peters street. They deserve well.

Mrs. Geo. Thomas and Mrs. L. Williams are arranging a great plan for the benefit of the C. M. E. Church at the corner of Tatum and Mitchell, Sts. These ladies are great church workers.

The base ball season has opened up and the diamond is all the go here just now.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday last the Atlanta Depews vs. the Nashville, Tenn., nine played to a great crowd, Atlanta winning the game each day. The Depews are perhaps the best baseball team in the South. Caldwell pitched for Atlanta Monday and Wednesday. He is a great one, too. He was assisted by Baker, who is an artist of high order. Mr. Godfrey

D. Mitchell is one of the Depews stand outs. P. A. Thomas is general manager, W. C. Calhoun, captain. The Depews have a standing challenge to meet any base ball nine in the South. Those wishing to accept his challenge may do so by writing to P. A. Thomas at 15 Ivy street Atlanta, Ga.

W. H. Landrum, who several months ago went to Arizona in search of health died there on the 23 d, inst. His family was notified by telegram. Mr. Landrum was a useful citizen and a consistent member of Friendship Baptist Church. He leaves a wife and two children who are well provided for by a large life insurance and much valuable property.

R. R. Gooch, a leading citizen of Jacksonville, Fla., passed through the city last Tuesday on his way to La Grange, this home.

The managers of the Turner Tabernacle have arranged for a free lecture every Thursday night at the Tabernacle. These lectures will be delivered by scholars only. It is hoped that L. M. Hershaw while on a visit here this summer will deliver a lecture in this edifice.

The local committee of the young Christian Congress held another interesting meeting last Thursday night at Big Bethel and the public subscription amounted to \$175. D. T. Howard of D. T. Howard and Sons, gave \$10, Bishop Gaines \$50. Bishop Gaines, Revs. Drs. E. R. Carter and J. A. Rush were placed in charge of the subscription department. Prof. I. G. Penn, Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, Hon. H. A. Rucker and Dr. W. G. Arnold were put in charge of the schools and colleges department. The people of Atlanta are awaking to the importance of this great gathering of Christian workers here during August next, and it is well that they should as every indication points to a large crowd.

The republican county executive committee of this Fulton county, without a chairman and secretary, as the chairman has resigned by the direction of the secretary of the treasury and the secretary did some time ago. The members of the Committee, I am told, have called a meeting for the purpose of filling these vacancies. Good honest and competent men should be selected.

Col. W. H. Johnson, U. S. Marshal for the Atlanta district, is a great admirer of The Colored American. He has been a subscriber to it for years.

Col. Johnson is one of the few white republicans in Georgia who have the confidence and respect of all men. He is a safe party leader.

Rev. J. A. Rush, pastor of the Lloyd Street M. E. Church had a great rally last Sunday the 27th inst. and raised quite a sum. Dr. Rush has a fine congregation and his people usually do what he requests of them.

Dr. Bowen, in his talk at Big Bethel last Thursday night, said "that there are over three hundred colored men and women in business in Atlanta and that they do thousands and thousands dollars worth of business yearly."

At the head of these business enterprises are Willis Murphy and Sons, C. C. Carter, F. H. Crumley, A. Hamilton and Sons, Chas. McHenry, I. P. Mayer, Peter Eskridge, A. F. Herndon, A. Nash, H. J. White, N. Holmes.

Orange Blossoms.

Tuesday evening, April 22d at the residence of the bride, 1412 17 h street northwest, Miss Mary Julia Jackson, a popular society belle of this city, became the wife of Prof. Daniel S. Mahoney, a prominent business man of Pittsburg, Pa. The Catholic ceremony was used, and the matrimonial knot was eloquently tied by Father Bischoff. The bridesmaids were Miss Florence May Williams and Miss Nettie M. Langston, and Mr. Samuel R. Roseman of Pittsburg, served as groomsmen. After an elegant bridal feast, prepared by Freund, Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney departed upon the midnight train for Pittsburg, where a large, handsomely furnished home was in waiting for them. More than three hundred beautiful and useful presents were received.

In Memoriam.

FORREST. In sad but loving remembrance of my dear wife, Letitia Walton Forrest, who departed this life six years ago today, April 29 1896. Safe in the arms of Jesus.
By her husband, HENRY FORREST.

THE GRAND FOUNTAIN.

United Order of True Reformers.

ORGANIZED January 1, 1881

Office 604, 606 and 508 N. 2nd St., - - Richmond, Va.

An order devoted to the interests of its members, both in their home and business relations. We offer you an opportunity for gilt edged business investment, in enterprises owned and controlled by the Order and managed by colored men, who are members of the Order.

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SUBORDINATE FOUNTAINS.

To join the Subordinate Fountain you must be between 14 and 16 years of age. You pay \$4.60 to \$6.60 (according to age,) as joining fee. If you live in the country you pay 35 cents per month as dues; if in the city, 50 cents per month. You pay as taxes 80 cents per month.

As Sick Benefits you receive from \$6.00 to \$9.00 per month, in weekly payments.

As Death Benefit, your family receives \$75.00 if you die within a year. After one year the Death Benefit is \$125.00.

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To join the Rosebud Fountain you must be between 18 and 14 year of age. You pay \$1.00, either cash or by installments. The monthly dues are either 15 or 25 cents as Fountains may decide. The annual tax is 10 cents. You receive as Sick Benefit from \$1.50 to \$4.00 per month, in weekly payments.

As Death Benefit, your family will be paid \$24.50 if you die within a year. After one year the Death Benefit is \$37.

In the INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, there are Three Classes:—Class B, Class E, and Class M. All dues payable annually or quarterly.

In Class B, the age limit is 14 to 60 years. Fee, \$2.50 to \$4.25. Annual dues, \$4.75 to \$7.60. The Certificate is valued first year at from \$100 to \$33. After one year, its value is \$200 to \$65.

In Class E, the age limit is 14 to 55 years. Fee, \$5 to \$6.50. Annual dues, \$9.50 to \$11.40. The Certificate is valued first year at from \$250 to \$175. After one year its value is \$500 to \$300.

In Class M, the age limit is 14 to 50 years. Fee \$11 to \$13.50. Annual dues \$21 to \$25. The certificate valued from date of issue at from \$1,000 to \$700.

You are entitled to a Life Membership in either of the Fountains or in Class B and E upon purchase of the required amount of Bank stock, which pays a dividend annually of 20 per cent.

The Grand Fountain United Order of True Reformers has paid up to July 29, 1900, a total of 3782 Death Benefits, with a grand total of \$521,264.75, over a HALF MILLION DOLLARS.

THE BANK.—In our Savings Bank the Order has a sound and flourishing institution that is a credit not only to the Order but to the race as well. It began business April 3, 1889. The capital stock is \$100,000. The business is the same as that of any other regularly constituted bank, and is surrounded by the same safeguards. The stock sells for \$5.00 a share to members, and pays 20 per cent. dividends. Both time and demand deposits are received and 4 per cent. interest is paid on time deposits. The following is a copy of the Cashier's report to Auditor of Public Accounts of Virginia at close of business Sept., 5, 1900 and shows its flourishing condition:—

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$8,272 80
Other stock, bonds and mortgages	164,423 83
Due from National Banks ..	48,383 22
Banking House	14,000 00
Other real estates	99,588 00
Furniture and Fixtures	6,850 00
Current expenses and taxes paid	1,388 99
Specie, nickels and cents	12,399 80
Paper currency	35,820 00

Total 391,120 84

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	88,125 00
Surplus fund	80,957 81
Undivided profits	6,826 80
Demand certificate of deposit	96,786 29
Time certificates of deposit ..	118,424 74

Total 391,120 84

The Reformer's Grocery and Feed Store is located at 501 North Sixth St., Richmond, Va., and members of the Order and the public generally are saved 20 per cent. on the cost of food products.

THE REFORMER is the newspaper published by the order from its own office in Richmond, Va. It stands for the voice of the people, representing cooperation and combination of the race and is the Beacon Light, the Headlight, the General Messenger and the General Agent of the Brotherhood. It is \$1.00 per year. A well-equipped job office bids for the work of the people, which is turned out in first class style and at low prices.

Six miles from Richmond, in Henrico County, Va., the Order has purchased 634 acres of land, and established thereon an "Old Folk's Home." With unexampled liberality and broad-minded generosity, the Order does not limit entrance to this home to its members alone, nor even to members families, but the doors are opened to the aged and decrepid of the whole race, regardless of their residence or connections. The Order makes itself the trustee for this glorious charity, and calls upon the whole people, black and white, North, East, South and West to assist by their contribution the carrying out of this praiseworthy idea. April 3rd of each year is set apart as a Grand Rally Day for the Home. Contributions can be forwarded to the cashier of the Reformer's Savings Bank, who will send receipt for same and account for it to The Grand Fountain.

Members of the Order and the public, when visiting Richmond, Va., are invited to stop at The Hotel Reformer, 900 North Sixth St. It is in a pleasant and desirable location. Service is of the best and rates are reasonable.

The Real Estate Department manages and controls all property interests of the Order. The Order now owns 13 buildings, 4 farms, 4 dwellings, 1 hotel building.

For any further information, address.

WM. L. TAYLOR, W. M. Master,

W. P. BURRELL, G. W. Secretary.